



— SENIOR THESIS EXHIBITION 2015 —

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Drew University
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Senior Thesis Exhibition

May 1 - May 8, 2015

Reception: May 1, 5:30 - 7:30 PM

Amy Benedict
Adjonte' De Vine
Angel Fosuhene
Joseph Grosso
Sylvie Harris
Jacqueline LaBrutto
Brittney Lyons
Austin Machado
Lissa Sanchez
Jennifer Smokonich
Anthony Tamburro
Kether Tomkins
Alexandra Willis
Jeana Wunderlich

curated by Raymond Stein

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Paper, paint, photos: diverse media in senior show

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Prepare to bid farewell to 14 budding artists in the Forest. Professor of Art Raymond Stein's current senior art students will, in short time, be leaving Drew to pursue career diverse paths that will incorporate their experiences in studio art.

The senior art studio is a one-year class, taken consecutively in the fall and spring. About its structure, Stein said, "It is a full year where they work with me for an entire year developing their portfolio."

Stein singled out two learning goals for the process. He said, "The first thing is craft. Week to week, we want to see improvement in the quality of the artwork." He added, "The second learning outcome is developing content and meaning within the work."

Stein identified this second goal to be the harder of the two because it requires the students to work independently outside of assignments. He said, "This is the first time where they've been asked to develop their own work and develop meaning in a body of work."

Brittney Lyons ('15) has been working on art pieces that focus on illustrating the spirituality in nature through mixed media and painting. "I am inspired by the history of how humans have explored their relationships to nature through spiritual rituals or transformative experiences," Lyons said. While Lyons works primarily as a



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Students of Professor Raymon Stein exhibit the work they have completed in the last year as part of their senior studio art class.

painter, her artwork also mixes collage with other elements to create mixed media compositions. Her future plans include attending a post-baccalaureate program this fall at the School of Art Institute in Chicago.

Anthony Tamburro ('15) has been working on sculptures, drawings and paintings that are centered around sexual trauma and the cognitive dissonance that lies within the realm of fundamental Christianity pertaining to homosexuality.

"My work has recently shifted to becoming an expression of the survivor's guilt sometimes experienced by victims of trauma," Tamburro said. Post-Drew, he plans on taking a year off from academic studies to work independently.

Jacqueline LaBrutto ('15) and Allie Willis ('15) are two more students that have done exquisite work this semester. LaBrutto's work was inspired by the devastating Hurricane Sandy. "This body of my work follows both a documentary style and is also compositionally

driven work," LaBrutto said. She will be graduating with a major in studio art and a triple minor in business studies, Italian and photography.

Willis's art is a reflection on relationships, both romantic and within the human body. "I work in mediums of etching, painting, drawing and sculpture." Post-graduation, she plans to become an art conservationist and restorationist.

One thing that made this year's senior studio different was artist-in-residence Valerie Hegarty,

who sat in on classes and worked individually with each of the students. On her involvement, Stein said, "This is really vital because getting a variety of opinions and perspectives is part of being a well-rounded artist."

The artwork will be displayed throughout the DoYo in the senior studio, drawing and painting studios upstairs in addition to the hallways, media lab and Korn Gallery. The work will be on display until May 8. There will be reception today from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.